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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1774**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re the Application of**

Takashi HIRAGA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1774

Application No.: 09/913,315

Examiner: J. GRAY

Filed: August 10, 2001

Docket No.: 110345

For: MODIFICATION METHOD OF SURFACE LAYER AND MOLDED RESIN ARTICLE, AND MODIFICATION APPARATUS OF SURFACE LAYER OF MOLDED RESIN ARTICLE

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Jewell*  
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Sir:

In reply to the April 20, 2005, Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1, 3-10, 13-15, 17, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 40-50 are pending in this application.

Applicants appreciate the indication in the Office Action that claims 19, 20, 24, and 25 contain allowable subject matter.

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 3-10, 13-15, 17, 22, 40-50, and 53-57 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over US 011 (U.S. Patent No. 3,783,011 to Chauffourmeaux). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.